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## Interview Summary

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c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.  
If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

Claim(s) discussed: 1 and 36.

Identification of prior art discussed: U.S. Pub 2002/01546065.

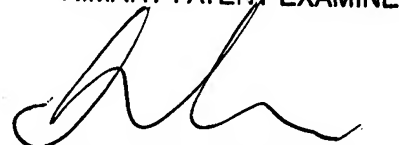
Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant request to clarify the art rejection. Re Claim 1, in fig. 4, step 205 determines STP enable switches (network running a loop avoidance protocol); step 205, the STP enable switch (a bridge) exchanges STP messages (sending and receiving first and second loop packets) wherein the messages includes Bridge ID, Port ID and port state (first and second identifier and reference); the STP enable switch compares the exchanges information to detect loops in the network. Re Claim 36, the topology includes first and second network whereby first network includes STP enable switch to detect and protect the network for loops, as claimed the first and second protocol is the STP protocol.